

Remarks

The above Amendments and these Remarks are in reply to the Office Action mailed May 7, 2007. The fee for addition of new claims is included herewith.

I. Summary of Examiner's Rejections

Claims 1-16 were pending in the Application prior to the outstanding Office Action. In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-16.

The drawings were objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a) because the drawings did not include items labeled 410, 420, 430, and 440 as described in the specification.

Claims 5 and 13 were objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being of improper dependent form.

Claims 1-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 for antecedent basis reasons.

Claims 9-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 for non-statutory subject matter.

Claims 1-16 were provisionally rejected for non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-8 of copending Application No. 10/823,290.

Claims 1-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Viswanath (U.S. Patent No. 7,206,827).

II. Summary of Applicant's Response

The present Reply cancels claims 2-16, amends claim 1, and adds new claims 17-48, leaving for the Examiner's present consideration claims 1 and 17-48. A terminal disclaimer against Application No. 10/823,290 is attached. A replacement FIG. 4 is attached. Reconsideration of the rejections is requested.

III. Response to Rejections

Independent Claim 1

Claim 1 was amended to better describe embodiments of the invention. Claim 1 states (as amended):

A computer-readable medium containing instructions stored thereon, wherein the instructions comprise:

receiving an MBean definition file in XML format;

generating an MBean jar file from the MBean definition file, wherein the MBean jar file includes a tag for the MBean and a tag for each attribute, operation, and potential notification issued by the MBean;

placing the jar file in a predetermined directory within a managed server in a management domain; and

providing a custom management capability through the MBean over the management domain.

Claim 1 describes a computer-readable medium for generating a custom MBean, including generating an MBean jar file which includes a tag for the MBean and a tag for each attribute, operation, potential notification issued by the MBean, and providing a custom management capability through the MBean over the management domain.

Viswanath discloses an administration framework which uses JMX and MBeans. However, Viswanath does not appear to disclose “providing a custom management capability through the MBean over the management domain,” which is a feature of Applicant’s Claim 1.

Applicant respectfully submits that the embodiment as defined in Independent Claim 1 is neither anticipated by nor obvious in view of Viswanath. Applicant respectfully requests that the 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) rejection to claim 1 be withdrawn. Dependent Claims 17-48 depend from Claim 1. For at least the reasons discussed above with regards to Claim 1, dependent Claims 17-48 are also patentable.

IV. Conclusion

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now pending in the subject patent application should be allowable, and a Notice of Allowance is requested. The Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned if he can assist in any way in expediting issuance of a patent.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1325 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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